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LETTER DATED 27 MARCH 1992 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF THE ISLAMIC REPUBLIC OF IRAN TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

Upon instructions from my Government, I have the honour to transmit herewith the statement by the mediating delegation of the Islamic Republic of Iran on the extension of the cease-fire in Nagorno Karabakh.

It would be highly appreciated if this letter and its annex were circulated as a document of the Security Council.

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Annex

Statement by the Mediating Delegation of the Islamic Republic of Iran on the Extension of the Cease-Fire in Nagorno Karabakh

Deriving from the ongoing mediating efforts which followed the tripartite meeting in Tehran of the delegations of the Republic of Azerbaijan, the Republic of Armenia, and the Islamic Republic of Iran, and within the framework of the principles agreed to by the parties concerned, a cease-fire came into effect as the first step towards achieving agreed upon objectives. The mediating delegation of the Islamic Republic of Iran wishes to extend the appreciation of the Government of the Islamic Republic of Iran to all parties in the capitals of the two republics, and in Nagorno Karabakh, for their cooperation in establishing and observing the cease-fire. Throughout the past week, in addition to monitoring the cease-fire, extensive efforts were made to reach an agreement on a framework for final settlement of the differences among the concerned parties in the issue of Karabakh. The results of these efforts are as follows:

1. All concerned parties have agreed to nominate their special envoys to prepare the draft statement of the summit which is to be held upon the recommendation of the Islamic Republic of Iran for the settlement of the dispute.

2. All concerned parties have informed the mediating delegation of the Islamic Republic of Iran of their agreement and determination to extend the cease-fire until the adoption of the final declaration of the summit which is to be held soon.

3. In view of the urgent need of the residents and displaced people of Karabakh for food and medicine, and on the basis of request by and agreement of the parties involved, the international community is called upon to fulfil this humanitarian responsibility on an emergency basis. To this end, the Government of the Republic of Azerbaijan has agreed to facilitate the transportation of such emergency assistance through the railroad of the Republic.